

Culberson	Johnson, Sam	Pryce (OH)
Davis (KY)	Jordan	Putnam
Davis, David	King (IA)	Radanovich
Davis, Tom	King (NY)	Ramstad
Deal (GA)	Kingston	Regula
Dent	Kirk	Rehberg
Diaz-Balart, L.	Kline (MN)	Reichert
Diaz-Balart, M.	Knollenberg	Reynolds
Doolittle	Kuhl (NY)	Rogers (AL)
Drake	LaHood	Rogers (KY)
Dreier	Lamborn	Rogers (MI)
Duncan	Latham	Rohrabacher
Ehlers	LaTourette	Ros-Lehtinen
Emerson	Lewis (CA)	Roskam
English (PA)	Lewis (KY)	Royce
Everett	LoBiondo	Ryan (WI)
Fallin	Lucas	Sali
Feeney	Lungren, Daniel	Saxton
Ferguson	E.	Schmidt
Flake	Mack	Sensenbrenner
Forbes	Manzullo	Sessions
Fortenberry	Marchant	Shadegg
Fossella	McCarthy (CA)	Shimkus
Fox	McCaul (TX)	Shuster
Frelinghuysen	McCotter	Simpson
Galleghy	McCrery	Smith (NE)
Garrett (NJ)	McHenry	Smith (NJ)
Gerlach	McHugh	Smith (TX)
Gilchrest	McKeon	Souder
Gillmor	Mica	Stearns
Gingrey	Miller (FL)	Terry
Gohmert	Miller (MI)	Thornberry
Goode	Miller, Gary	Tiahrt
Goodlatte	Moran (KS)	Tiberi
Granger	Murphy, Tim	Turner
Graves	Musgrave	Upton
Hall (TX)	Myrick	Walberg
Hastert	Neugebauer	Walden (OR)
Hastings (WA)	Nunes	Walsh (NY)
Hayes	Paul	Wamp
Heller	Pearce	Weller
Hensarling	Pence	Westmoreland
Herger	Peterson (PA)	Whitfield
Hobson	Petri	Wicker
Hoekstra	Pickering	Wilson (NM)
Hulshof	Pitts	Wilson (SC)
Inglis (SC)	Platts	Wolf
Issa	Poe	Young (AK)
Jindal	Porter	Young (FL)
Johnson (IL)	Price (GA)	

NOT VOTING—23

Baird	Hunter	Rothman
Braley (IA)	Jones (OH)	Shays
Capito	Keller	Stark
Cubin	Linder	Sullivan
Davis, Jo Ann	Marshall	Tancredo
Emanuel	Matsui	Weldon (FL)
Engel	McMorris	
Franks (AZ)	Rodgers	
Harman	Melancon	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded they have 2 minutes remaining to record their votes.

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So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 1585, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that in the engrossment of the bill, H.R. 1585, the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, cross-references, and the table of contents, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill, and that the Clerk be authorized to make additional technical corrections, which are at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Missouri?

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON S. CON. RES. 21, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 409 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 409

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 21) setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read. The conference report shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Ohio (Ms. SUTTON) is recognized for 1 hour.

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. SESSIONS). All time yielded during consideration of the rule is for debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members be given 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 409.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as the Clerk just described, House Resolution 409 provides for consideration of the conference report for S. Con. Res. 21, the fiscal year 2008 concurrent budget resolution.

The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

The rule also provides for 1 hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

Mr. Speaker, I said it before and I will say it again: Budgets, more than anything else this government produces are moral documents. For this reason, I am proud to report that this Democratic budget is a victory for our working families and our communities. It is a budget that embodies the highest ideals of our government.

The fiscal path set by past Congresses was unsustainable, and it put

the economic future of our children and grandchildren at risk. But we are charting a new path, a path that is fiscally responsible and in line with the needs and the priorities of the American people.

Our budget reverses years of reckless Republican mismanagement, and restores fiscal responsibility to our government. The \$5.6 trillion in surpluses projected at the beginning of the Bush administration have disappeared, and have sadly been replaced by a national debt that was swelled to an estimated \$9 trillion.

This Democratic budget, in contrast to that reckless spending, reaches balance by 2012 and strictly adheres to the pay-as-you-go principle. And at the same time, it rebalances our priorities to help our communities and those most in need.

Our budget increases funding for jobs and education, essential to my home State of Ohio, which has lost over 200,000 manufacturing jobs since 2001.

Our budget rejects the President's cuts to vital health care programs such as SCHIP, Medicare and Medicaid. In fact, our budget provides for a significant increase in SCHIP funding that, in contrast to the President's proposal, will help cover the 242,000 children in Ohio who remain uninsured. And our budget increases funding for our veterans and our veterans health care programs. These brave men and women who have served our Nation so heroically, deserve only the best services and treatment when they return home.

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Our budget increases funding for the Community Development Block Grant and the Social Services Block Grant, and it saves the Community Services Block Grant, which the President completely zeroed out.

I'm especially proud to have fought for these increases because almost 100,000 people in my congressional district alone have experienced the benefits of the CDBG funding.

This budget provides a new direction for our Nation, and let me be clear, Mr. Speaker, no matter what may be said by those on the other side of the aisle, this budget does not call for a single cent in tax increases. Let me repeat, no matter what may be said by those on the other side of the aisle, this budget does not call for a single cent in tax increases.

We have also ensured that no additional taxpayers will be ensnared by the Alternative Minimum Tax in 2007 and have provided a reserve fund for a permanent fix.

For three of the last 5-years, the Federal Government has had to operate without a budget resolution because the past Congresses failed to pass one, which is why it is critical that we adopt the resolution before us today. It is a budget that reaches balance in 5 years and restores fiscal responsibility through PAYGO rules. We do all this while keeping our priorities in line